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**DEFENDANTS ALEXANDER LASHAUN BOHANNON  
AND SEBASTIAN SANCHEZ DUBOSE  
FOUND GUILTY OF CARJACKING AND  
USE OF A FIREARM IN A CRIME VIOLENCE**

**PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PROSECUTION**

MOBILE, Ala. - The jury returned guilty verdicts against Alexander Bohannon and Sebastian Dubose for the March 10, 2005, carjacking that resulted in the shooting death of Michael Rodgers and the wounding of his mother, Lois Rodgers. Sentencing is set for October 2006, before District Court Judge William H. Steele. Both Defendants face a statutory maximum of life in prison on the carjacking and 10 consecutive years on the firearms offense. Bohannon has previously been sentenced to life in prison for a prior carjacking.

The evidence adduced at trial proved that Bohannon approached Michael Rodgers outside Rodgers' mother's home while he was sitting in his vehicle talking on his cell phone. Bohannon was armed and the two became involved in a skirmish that resulted in Bohannon being shot in the leg. Testimony revealed that Mrs. Rodgers came out of her house to help her son and she became involved in the struggle. Bohannon called to his accomplice Sebastian Dubose and Dubose fired the shots which resulted in the death of Michael Rodgers. Just prior to Bohannon and Dubose fleeing in Rodgers' vehicle, Bohannon fired a shot which struck Mrs. Rodgers in the forearm.

Bohannon and Dubose abandoned Rodgers' car a short time later. Bohannon fled to the apartment of an acquaintance whom he convinced to take him to the hospital, but who refused to supply him with a cover story he had concocted to explain his wound. Dubose also sought to secure an alibi for the time of the offense by bringing in witnesses to testify on his behalf. The jury's verdict indicates that they rejected his alibi.

Deborah J. Rhodes, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama, said, "Carjackers in Mobile can expect to face aggressive federal prosecution and tough federal penalties. The people in Mobile deserve to be safe on the street."

This case is part of the Project Safe Neighborhood/Alabama I.C.E. (Isolate the Criminal Element) initiative, which is a continuing effort to reduce gun violence and make the community a

safer place for all its citizens. The investigation of this case was a cooperative effort between federal and local law enforcement. The combined efforts of the Mobile Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation made possible the successful prosecution by Assistant United States Attorneys Gina Vann and Michele O'Brien of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Alabama.